# Child Care Advocate Program Community Care Licensing Division

## "Promoting Healthy, Safe, and Supportive Community Care"

## **OUR HISTORY**

The Child Care Advocate Program (CCAP) promotes the delivery of quality child care in California. In 1984, the State Legislature created the CCAP to provide a link between child care licensing and the community.

### **OUR MISSION**

The CCAP seeks to promote the delivery of quality child care in California through communication, knowledge, and advocacy.

## WHAT WE DO

The CCAP tailors its activities to fit the needs of the local community. A Child Care Advocate provides information to parents, child care providers, employers, educators, and community groups.

The Child Care Advocate participates in many community activities and special projects in order to:

- By Disseminate information on the state's licensing role
- Reprovide information to the public and parents on child care licensing
- **%** Act as a liaison to child care resource and referral agencies
- Serve as a liaison to local government, business, labor, law enforcement, education, and child care providers
- Assist county government and community agencies in capacity building and quality improvement efforts to ensure the availability of quality child care
- Seeks to mediate disputes between the Department and Child Care Licensees
- See Assist in the coordination of complaints and concerns on behalf of children in child care

#### **HOW CAN WE HELP?**

If you have concerns or need information about licensing of Family Child Care Homes or Child Care Centers in California, go to: <a href="https://www.ccld.ca.gov">www.ccld.ca.gov</a> or contact your Child Care Advocate at:

#### Northern California

Bay Area Child Care Regional Office 1515 Clay St., Suite 1102 Oakland, CA 94612 (510) 622-2623

#### Southern California

Community Care Licensing Division 5900 Pasteur Court, Suite 125 Carlsbad, CA 92008 (760) 929-3274